

Phil. Sept 2nd 1887.
 To the Director of the Mint
 Washington D. C.

Yours of the 1st Inst is just read, but
 you certainly are in error for they ad-
mit the mistake here at the mint.

Perhaps you are not aware
 that the Williams Bid is rejected
 he did not Bid according to Schedule
 Now then it lays Between Benton
and myself -

Bids were	Benton	Pohl
on No 1- 1 st Bids =	\$46-	39 ⁵⁰
" 2 " "	38-	25 =
" 3 " "	14 -	12 =

Also 5 M p 10 1/4 Virg. pine fleg

on No 1- Benton was \$26- Pohl \$25

on Basswood Benton gives two prices
only one is required by the Schedule
 and my price \$25 87 is even lower
 than his average of the two - I Cant see
 but that I am lower than him - and it is

a sum to myself & the Government
to pay Denton higher prices
than I offer -

Kindly examine
the matter, remembering the
Williams Bid is barred and
then I hope a more favorable
reply - it is admitted here at
the Mint & they only want
to know how to correct it

Very yours
E. F. Pike

Sept 9th Mr. Dickenson

Compare the Denton prices
& mine & there is no
trouble in the matter
Yrs Pike

No.
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DIRECTOR MINT.

REC. SEP 3 1887

Philadelphia, Pa
Sept 2, 1887

Elias Pohl

Re to award for Lumber
at US Mint Philadelphia

Mint Bureau

Sept 20 1887

Respectfully referred to
Supt Mint at Phila
delphia.

R B Preston
Acting Director

[Abstract:] Rel. to award for Lumber at U.S. Mint Philadelphia.

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Bids were	Benton	Pohl
10 MP		
On No. 1 – 1" Bds. =	\$46-	39.50
"2 " "	38-	25=
"3 " "	14-	12=

Also 5 ~~M~~ for 1 & 1 ¼ Ning. Pine flg.

On No. 1 – Benton was \$26- Pohl \$25 on Basswood Benton gives two prices only one is required by the schedule and my price \$25.87 is even lower than his average of the two. I can't see but that I am lower than him- and it is a wrong to myself & the government to pay Benton higher prices than I offer –

Kindly examine the matter, remembering the Williams Bid is banned and then I hope a more favorable reply it is admitted here at the Mint & they only want to know how to correct it.

Truly Yours,
E. Pohl

Lumber 9th at. Dickinson

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Yrs. Pohl

[Noted on back:]

Mint Bureau
September 20, 1887

Respectfully referred to the Supt. Mint U.S. Philadelphia.
R.E. Preston, Acting Director.